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*on 12 Sept. 66*

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*13 Sept 66*

The Honorable William L. Dawson, Chairman  
 Committee on Government Operations  
 House of Representatives  
 Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have your letter of 24 August 1966 in which you note the jurisdiction of your Committee and its Foreign Operations and Government Information Subcommittee, which is under the chairmanship of the Honorable John E. Moss.

As you know, the Armed Services Committee has primary legislative jurisdiction of this Agency and it has appointed a special subcommittee for Central Intelligence Agency matters. In addition to responding fully to their requirements, it is our desire to fulfill wherever possible the legitimate needs of other committees of the House of Representatives.

Thank you for calling this matter to my attention. I am very appreciative of your long, close relationship with the Central Intelligence Agency, and you may be assured of our continued cooperation with your Committee and Mr. Moss's Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

Richard Helms  
 Director

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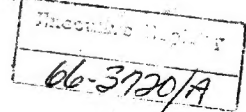
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The Honorable William L. Dawson, Chairman  
Committee on Government Operations  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Mr. Chairman:

I have your letter of 24 August 1966 referring to the long, close relationship between your Committee and this Agency and expressing the hope that we will continue to cooperate in providing needed information to your Committee and its Foreign Operations and Government Information Subcommittee, which is under the chairmanship of the Honorable John E. Moss.

You may be assured of our desire to cooperate with your Committee and its designated Subcommittee as we have in the past. As you are aware, the Armed Services Committee has primary legislative jurisdiction of this Agency and it has appointed a special subcommittee for Central Intelligence Agency matters. In addition to responding fully to their requirements, it is our desire to fulfill wherever possible the legitimate needs of other Committees of the Congress.

Your understanding of our status, both as an operating agency directly under the President and our responsibilities to the appropriate committees of the Congress, is very much appreciated.

I wish to thank you for calling this matter to my personal attention. I, too, believe that the long, close relationship of this Agency with your Committee has been helpful to all concerned. I wish to continue this cooperation and I assure you I shall do everything possible to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Richard Helms  
Director

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